

Please amend claim 83 as follows:

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Claim ~~83~~<sup>8</sup> (Once Amended) [The] An isolated nucleic acid molecule [of claim 82, wherein said polypeptide comprises] comprising a polynucleotide encoding at least 50 contiguous amino acids of SEQ ID NO:2.

**Remarks**

None of the amendments add new matter.

Claims 82, 84 and 85 have been canceled. Claim 83 has been amended to be presented as an independent claim. These amendments do not expand the scope of the claims and do not require a new search.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that this application is reconsidered and that the above Amendments are entered.

Respectfully submitted,

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